

JAPAN PRIZE BANQUET

APRIL 26, 1996

YOUR MAJESTIES, DR. ITO, DR. KAO, ESTEEMED GUESTS.

ON BEHALF OF PRESIDENT CLINTON AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, I AM HONORED TO HAVE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO CONVEY MY PERSONAL CONGRATULATIONS TO DR. KAO AND DR. ITO.

I ALSO WISH TO COMMEND THE SPONSORS OF THE JAPAN PRIZE FOR SUSTAINING THE REMARKABLE WORK ASSOCIATED WITH THIS INTERNATIONALLY ACCLAIMED HONOR.

TONIGHT'S HONOREES HAVE MADE ENORMOUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE WORLD'S SCIENTIFIC WEALTH.

WHETHER HELPING DEVELOP OPTICAL FIBER COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY OR SEEKING TO UNLOCK THE SECRETS OF THE HUMAN BRAIN, THEIR PIONEERING ACHIEVEMENTS HAVE HELPED ENRICH HUMANKIND AND HAVE ADVANCED THE POSSIBILITIES FOR HEALTHY HUMAN LIFE.

WE THANK THEM FOR THEIR LIFE-LONG
DEDICATION TO THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE AND
FOR THEIR SERVICE TO THE CAUSE OF SUPERB
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP.

THEIR DISCOVERIES AND THEIR DEVOTION TO
SCIENCE REMINDS US AGAIN OF THE LIMITLESS
POSSIBILITIES OF FREE AND DISCIPLINED INQUIRY.

AS THIS YEAR'S WINNERS OF THE JAPAN PRIZE,
THEY NOW STAND PROUDLY WITH THE OTHER
SCIENTIFIC GIANTS IN HISTORY.

DR. ITO, AND DR. KAO, WE SALUTE YOU.

THANK YOU.



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